DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY
THE COMPREHENSIVE ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSE, COMPENSATION, AND LIABILITY ACT (CERCLA)

Studies and Investigations Related to Cost Recovery and Enforcement Decisions; Special Notice

1. **AUTHORITY.** Pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, as amended, including sections 104 and 122, to make determinations as to the necessity and appropriateness of studies and investigations related to the recovery of response costs and the enforcement of the provision of this Act; and to undertake such studies and investigations; and to make decisions, determinations, findings, notifications and non-binding allocations of responsibility under section 122.

2. **TO WHOM REDELEGATED.** Through the Director, Superfund and Emergency Management Division, or equivalent, and through the Branch Chiefs, Emergency Management Branch and Remedial Cleanup Branch, or equivalents, to the Section Chiefs, Emergency Response Section, Spill Prevention and Removal Section, and Site Cleanup Sections 1,2, 3, and 4, or equivalents.

3. **LIMITATIONS.** The clearance or approval of the form, text, and legal sufficiency of each legally operative document issued pursuant to this redelegation must be obtained from an appropriate branch chief in the Office of Regional Counsel before signing and issuing such document.

4. **REDELEGATION AUTHORITY.**
   a. This authority may be redelegated to the section chief level, or equivalent.
   b. An official who redelegates an authority retains the right to exercise or withdraw the authority. Redelegated authority may be exercised by any official in the chain of command down to the official to whom it has been specifically redelegated.

5. **SUPERSESSION.** This delegation supersedes R10 14-8-B (06/26/2017) and any other delegation of the same authority.

6. **ADDITIONAL REFERENCES.**
   a. Sections 106 and 107 of CERCLA.
   b. See EPA Delegation 14-6 for issuance of Section 104(e) requests.
   c. EPA Delegation 14-8-B.

June 27, 2019

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